

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:	)
Jonnie R. WILLIAMS	)
Serial No. 09/397,018	) Group Art Unit: 1731
Filed: September 15, 1999	) Examiner: M. Colaianni
For: Improved Method of Treating Tobacco to Reduce Nitrosamine Content, and Products Produced Thereby	) Atty. Dkt. No.: 04859.84703 )

## PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

The Honorable Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

Applicant respectfully petitions for an extension of time of one (1) month for the time in which to respond to the Office Action dated May 1, 2000, i.e., up to and including September 1, 2000. A check for the requisite fee (\$55 - Small Entity) is enclosed. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fee required or credit any overpayment to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

BANNER & WITCOFF, LTD.

Date: August 9, 2000

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